

April 26, 2007

INFORMATION NOTICE

Health and Safety Code section 115000.1 requires that each generator of Low Level Radioactive Waste (LLRW) submit to the Department of Health Services (the Department) the information included in Forms 540, 541, and 542 (Uniform Waste Manifest), and any successor forms, of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) for each LLRW shipment. In addition, each generator is required to annually submit to the Department, using the information included on Forms 540, 541, and 542 of the NRC, an accounting of the LLRW stored and/or shipped by the generator during the reporting period.

The above-mentioned law also requires the Department to: (1) maintain manifests from generators of LLRW that are sent to a disposal facility or a facility subject to the Southwestern LLRW Disposal Compact; (2) maintain a file of all LLRW transferred for disposal to a disposal facility; (3) maintain a file of each generator's LLRW stored, stored for decay, and stored for later transfer; and (4) prepare an annual report as specified in law.

Upon receipt of this notice, all generators of LLRW shall:

- For each LLRW shipment, submit to the Radiologic Health Branch (RHB) a copy of NRC forms 540, 541, and 542, including those for shipments made since the subject law was enacted on September 26, 2002; with an effective date of January 1, 2003, and
- On or before January 31 of each year, complete and submit to the RHB the same NRC forms for the LLRW stored and/or shipped by the generator during the calendar year to satisfy the requirements of Health and Safety Code section 115000.1 (h). That information shall cover a calendar year from January 1 through December 31. The total activities of all the radionuclides stored must be reported as of December 31.
- For reporting LLRW stored, submit the required information in the following categories: 1) stored for decay, 2) stored awaiting shipment for disposal, 3) stored because generator knows or has reason to believe the LLRW will not be accepted for disposal at any licensed disposal facility.
- Annual Filings for past calendar years 2004, 2005 and 2006 must be submitted by May 31, 2007.

To obtain a copy of Health and Safety Code section 115000.1, go to <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html>, select "Health and Safety Code", enter "115000.1" in the search box, and follow the links.

If you have any questions or need clarifications on how to comply with this law, please call **916-650-0585** to leave your name, telephone number and brief description of your questions. Or, please send an e-mail to our LLRW e-mail address at **LLRWTracking@dhs.ca.gov**.

In addition, RHB will be establishing a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's) section on our webpage, <http://www.dhs.ca.gov/rhb>. Please visit this webpage frequently to obtain updated information to aid you in complying with the requirements of Health & Safety Code section 115000.1.